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ARREST REPORTS

TUESDAY

Colby John Ochs, of the 900 block of Colorado Street, was booked for failure to appear. Bond was set at \$149.

Madison Rachelle Walsh, of Marlatt Hall, was booked for theft. Bond was set at \$1,000.

Megan J. Jernigan, of Olathe, was booked for domestic battery. Bond was set at \$500.

Christopher Luke Kenny Jr., of the 500 block of Fourth Street, was booked for arson. No bond was listed.

James Allen Taylor, of the 2500 block of Farm Bureau Road, was booked for driving under the influence. Bond was set at \$750.

Nicholas Morris Seigle, of the 3100 block of Heritage Court, was booked for criminal damage to property. Bond was set at \$500.

WEDNESDAY

Matthew Monroe Boyce, of the 900 block of Humboldt Street, was booked for probation violation. Bond was set at \$1,500.

Benjamin Levi Dearmond, of the 700 block of Yuma Street, was booked for failure to appear. Bond was set at \$750.

Jermaine Antwain Smith, of Fort Riley, was booked for domestic battery, criminal restraint and violation of a protective order. Bond was set at \$1,000.

Compiled by Sarah Rajewski.

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Bruce Godfrey carefully keeps his balance standing on the roof while washing the windows of the Leadership Studies building Wednesday afternoon. Godfrey works for Manhattan Prairie Service Inc.

BRAZIL | Students focus on culture

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ferent regions of Brazil. "I think a lot of the culture that we gained was through the meals," Mary Ellen said. "A lot of the places that we went to were Brazilian steakhouses where they serve a wide range of cuts of meat on large skewers. They bring it to your table on these big skewers and just carve it off onto your plate." Gibson said the steaks were so hearty that it was almost too much at times. "By the end of it we had eaten so much protein that I was like, 'I just want a salad,'" Gibson said. Leading up to the tour, the whole group enrolled in a one-hour class taught by Andrew. The class studied Brazilian culture, language and agriculture in preparation for the trip. Mary Ellen noted that the time in class allowed the group to get to know each other before traveling to Brazil. "We spent so long hearing about it, but then once you're there it just all clicks," Andrew said. "It really shows you that just one day of traveling is worth reading for a whole semester. You get more out of that one day than you would in 16 weeks in the classroom." Gibson advised any students considering any sort of study abroad experience to take advantage of the opportunity and to apply for scholarships. "Being a small town farm girl and a little bit scared of international travel, it was the cheapest, safest and most organized way you can travel. Everything flowed so smoothly and I never felt unsafe," she said. K-State's Office of International Programs sponsored the trip, while AgriTours, a travel agency that specializes in trips for agricultural college students, arranged the itinerary. Andrew plans to sponsor a group of students on a trip to South Africa, another leading country in agriculture, in January 2013.

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National Signing Day comes to a close as athletes finalize choices

Adam Suderman
staff writer

The excitement and drama of National Signing Day was in full force on Wednesday. For most athletes, signing day is about being able to take a step beyond a verbal commitment, however, there are also athletes who choose to announce the school they would be playing football at on signing day.

The announcement of Dorial Green-Beckham was one of the most anticipated moves of the day. Green-Beckham, out of Hillcrest High School in Springfield, Mo., was ranked as the number one player in the country according to *rivals.com*.

Media members across the country had assumed Green-Beckham's choice would be

Oklahoma, Texas or Arkansas. At the end of the day, it was the commitment of Missouri through their recruiting process that was important to Green-Beckham and his family.

"I feel like they've been there since day one, since the start," Green-Beckham told ESPN.com. "That's the right place for me."

Green-Beckham will pair with Texas transfer Darius White at Missouri to make one of the most dangerous receiving combinations in 2013.

White sat out the 2012 season due to NCAA transfer regulations.

No. 2 ranked Mario Edwards Jr. of Denton, Texas, committed to Florida State last March but visited LSU, Oklahoma and Texas this past season.

As a team, Florida State put together one of the more impressive recruiting hauls this year.

Other than Edwards, Florida State received a letter of intent from top ranked defensive tackle Eddie Goldman.

Goldman, a 6-foot-4 307-pound force, will help anchor Florida State's defensive line for the next several years.

The Seminoles are waiting on the decision of Jameis Winston, ranked No. 1 among all quarterbacks. Winston is verbally committed to Florida State, but chose not to sign his letter of intent on Wednesday.

Winston, an impressive quarterback prospect, is also a standout baseball player. Winston has examined the possibility of playing both football and baseball in

college as well as entering Major League Baseball.

Florida State is no stranger to the situation. In 2001, Minnesota Twins catcher, Joe Mauer, turned down a scholarship to play for the Seminoles, deciding to play professional baseball instead.

TOP SIGNEES FOR THE BIG 12:

Texas picked up the top running back of the class for the second consecutive year with the signing of Jonathan Gray. Between Gray, Joe Bergeron and Malcolm Brown, Texas will have one of the more talented backfields in the country next season.

Coming off its first bowl win since 1992, Baylor signed four-star linebacker Brian Nance, of

Euless, Texas, and four-star defensive end Javonte Magee, of San Antonio, Texas.

After being hired at Kansas on Dec. 10, 2011, Charlie Weis went to work quickly on his recruiting class. Weis was able to sign 17 players. Fifteen of those players committed after Weis was hired.

Three-star quarterback Grant Rohach of Moorpark, Calif., leads a class of 21 signees for Iowa State.

With quarterback Landry Jones returning, Oklahoma bolstered its receiving corps with five signings. Five-star Trey Metoyer of Chatham, VA., leads the group.

Filling the vacant quarterback position will be important for Oklahoma State. Four-star Wes Lunt of Rochester, Ill., will

step in and compete for the starting job.

Texas Tech's pass-heavy offense picked up extra weapons with the additions of four-star wide receivers Dominique Wheeler, of Crockett, Texas, and Reginald Davis, of Tenaha, Texas.

Big 12 newcomer TCU returns much of its offense next season. Tyler Matthews of McPherson, Kan., adds depth to a traditionally strong quarterback spot at TCU.

Former Oklahoma State offensive coordinator Dana Holgorsen brought the pass-happy offense to future Big 12 member West Virginia this season.

Four-star wide receiver Deontay McManus, of Baltimore, Md., gives the Mountaineers yet another weapon offensively.

K-State Football signees for next season

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT ATHLETES				
NAME	POSITION	HEIGHT	WEIGHT	HOMETOWN (PREVIOUS SCHOOL)
Dante Barnett	ATH	6-1	175	Tulsa, Okla. (Booker T. Wash. HS)
Tavarius Bender	QB	6-3	210	Lincoln, Neb. (Southwest HS)
Travis Britz	DL	6-4	287	Harrisonville, Mo. (Harrisonville HS)
Morgan Burns	DB	5-11	195	Wichita, Kan. (Trinity Academy HS)
Deante Burton	WR	6-2	200	Manhattan, Kan. (Manhattan HS)
Hunter Davis	DE	6-3	246	Choctaw, Okla. (Choctaw HS)
Will Davis	LB	6-1	213	Southlake, Texas (Carroll HS)
Aderius Epps	OL	6-2	295	Cedar Hill, Texas (Cedar Hill HS)
Glenn Gronkowski	FB	6-3	235	Amherst, N.Y. (Williamsville North HS)
Samuel Harvill	DL	6-1	255	Springdale, Ark. (Shiloh Christian HS)
Demonte Hood	DL	6-0	295	Arlington, Texas (Bowie HS)
Charles Jones	RB	5-11	180	Mandeville, La. (Mandeville HS)
Judah Jones	WR	6-1	180	Shreveport, La. (Evangel Christian HS)
Jarvis Leverett	RB	5-11	200	Katy, Texas (Cypress Lakes HS)
Mike Moore	LB	6-1	213	Dallas, Texas (Skyline HS)
Matt Seiwert	ATH	6-3	260	Conway Springs, Kan. (C. Springs HS)
Cody Small	TE	6-4	237	Cypress, Texas (Cypress Woods HS)
Donnie Starks	DB	5-11	180	Crosby, Texas (Crosby HS)
Vernon Vaughn	WR	6-2	190	Kansas City, Kan. (Sumner Academy)
Steven West	WR	6-1	190	Keller, Texas (Fossil Ridge HS)
COMMUNITY COLLEGE STUDENT ATHLETES				
NAME	POSITION	HEIGHT	WEIGHT	HOMETOWN (PREVIOUS SCHOOL)
Marquez Clark	WR	6-0	180	Texarkana, Texas (Navarro JC)
Ellwood Clement	OL	6-5	310	Deptford, N.J. (Eastern Arizona CC)
Kent Gainous	DB	6-1	190	Orlando, Fla. (Trinity Valley CC)
Wesley Hollingshed	DL	6-2	300	Atlanta, Ga. (Trinity Valley CC)
Chaquil Reed	DL	6-3	290	Wichita, Kan. (Butler County CC)
Tavon Rooks	OL	6-6	270	Randallstown, Md. (Navarro JC)

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Bill Snyder as he takes a questions from a reporter during the press conference for signing day held in the Vanier Football Complex Wednesday afternoon.

Wildcat's 2012 football recruiting class announced

Corbin McGuire
staff writer

Bill Snyder addressed the media Wednesday on National Signing Day to discuss the K-State football team's 2012 recruiting class, which includes 26 players in total.

The Wildcats' class includes 20 players coming out of high school and six players from the junior college ranks. Nine players in the group are currently enrolled at K-State and will participate in the upcoming spring practices.

"As we've maintained, it takes several years to accurately assess the quality of recruiting class and the young men who represent it," Snyder said in a press release.

"The variety," Snyder said when asked for the most significant thing about this class. "We have people every single position on the board. So we were able to be diversified in that respect."

The class comes from 12 different states across the country including Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Kansas, Louisiana, Maryland, Missouri, New Jersey, New York, Nebraska, Oklahoma and Texas.

Texas holds the majority of the class with nine players coming from the Lone Star State. Kansas holds the next closest amount with five in-state recruits.

The Wildcats added weapons as well as depth to the offensive unit through this year's class.

Overall on the offensive side of the ball, the 2012 class is composed of one quarterback, five wide receivers, two running backs, one full back, one tight end and three offensive linemen.

Wide receiver Marquez Clark out of Navarro Junior College, the Wildcats' highest

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rated recruit, was honored as a 2011 First Team All-American after he set NJCAA individual season records for receptions (98) and yardage (1,639). Clark broke many more records at Navarro and proved to be a threat on special teams as well with his career average of 26.1 yards per kickoff return and 20.3 yards per punt. “Certainly the numbers tell you something,” Snyder said of Clark. “He runs pretty well, has good hands from what we’ve seen and has a pretty good knowledge of the game.” Snyder commented on more than just the numbers, focusing on Clark’s attitude as well. “He seems to have a humble commitment towards becoming the best that he can become,” he said.

Tavarius Bender, the dual-threat quarterback out of Lincoln, Neb., is one of the nine recruits currently enrolled at K-State after he graduated early from Southwest High School. Rated the No. 1 overall player in the state of Nebraska and No. 20 dual-threat quarterback in the country by *rivals.com*, Bender has already made a positive impression on Snyder.

“I like the kind of person he is,” Snyder said. “I like his dedication and commitment. I like his willingness to learn and wanting to be a sponge about the knowledge that it takes to play the position that he plays.” The class addresses the defensive side of the ball with six defensive linemen, two linebackers and three defensive backs.

Wesley Hollingshed, the No. 47 rated junior college player in the nation by *rivals.com*, played at Trinity Valley Community College in Athens, Texas, and is one of the two defensive linemen coming in from a junior college for the Wildcats.

Chaquil Reed, the other incoming junior college recruit coming to play on the defensive line, is out of Butler County Community College, and tallied 43 tackles and five sacks at Butler that earned him all-conference honors.

Snyder said Reed and Hollingshed were attractive to the Wildcats because of the two recruits’ “physical presence,” and “success at a higher level,” that gives them the capabilities to contribute right away.

“That’s certainly up to them and how well they perform,” Snyder said of Reed and Hollingshed having an immediate impact. “We hope that is indeed the case.”

One of Snyder’s specialties with recruits is the ability to move them from position to position. Two players in the Wildcats’ class, Matt Seiwert and Dante Barnett, are labeled as “athletes” and will be placed in a position by the Wildcat coaching staff.

Two players who were a part of the program this past fall, Nick Puetz and John Sua, were awarded scholarships from the 2012 class.

Puetz, a walk on who transferred from Wyoming, started at left guard for the Wildcats’ final 11 games last season.

Sua, a walk on who transferred from Allan Hancock College, was a backup on the defensive line last season and saw action in only two games.

Wildcat fans will get a chance to catch a glimpse of the nine recruits enrolled at K-State this semester at the K-State Spring Game that is usually played on a Saturday in late April. The exact date and time of this year’s spring game has yet to be announced.

Josh Abbott Band entertains eager fans

Haley Rose
staff writer

Hundreds of cowboy boots shuffled around the floor as a sold out crowd packed into Longhorns Saloon on Wednesday night to see the Josh Abbott Band live. The show sold out hours before it started, requiring bouncers to turn away hopefuls looking to buy tickets. The band, hailing from Lubbock, Texas, is on their first leg of a national tour. Wednesday night was their second time coming to Manhattan and their third sell out show on this tour. “This is a great crowd,” said Josh Abbott, lead singer and founder of the band, before the show. “This is a great college town and there’s a real hunger for honest Texas country. We love playing here.” Fans came from various cities across the Midwest to see the show. Mike Lewis, fan of the band, is a gray-haired cowboy from Nebraska who said he drives to Manhattan often for the shows here. Wednesday night was his third time

seeing the Josh Abbott Band live. “I saw him years ago here,” Lewis said. “He’s gotten so much better. They’re a great band.” “This is a great crowd. This is a great college town and there’s a real hunger for honest Texas country. We love playing here.” **Josh Abbott**
lead singer and founder of the band

Michelle O’Dell drove from Wichita to see Abbott, only to find the show sold out. Luckily for her, a pedestrian she asked for spare tickets outside the bar turned out to be a manager for the band who let her in for free. “I am a big small-town country music fan,” O’Dell said. “I had never seen him in concert before and drove all the way from Wichita, so getting in for free... this is the best time of my life.”



Good times were all around as plaid-clad fans two-stepped to the opening musicians and crowded the bar waiting for the headliner to play. Before the band took the stage, two openers warmed up the crowd and showcased their own talent. Stewart Ray, freshman in marketing and advertising, was the first opener for Abbott. “I’ve been playing here since I was 14,” Ray said. “A friend called me up and asked if I wanted to play tonight, so now I’m here.” The second opener, The Damn Quails, brought a red-dirt sound to the stage with their prominent violin solos and both electric and slide guitar riffs. The Damn Quails are touring with the Josh Abbott Band for the next week. The two bands head to Lincoln, Neb. next and from there will play in Chicago before taking a five-day break. The Josh Abbott Band will then head out on the second leg of their tour. Eddie Villanueva, drummer for the Josh Abbott Band, said he loves stopping in college cities like Manhattan and Lawrence with the band. “[Manhattan] is one of my favorite cities to play in,” he said. “Great crowd, great energy.” By the time the Josh Abbott band made it to the stage, people were packed into every available space with drinks in hand and ready to sing. “This crowd always shows up early and sings along,” Abbott said. “It’s really fun to play for them.”

SGA to vote on funding, legislation

Jakki Thompson
assistant news editor

The Student Governing Association will vote on several issues and introduce new legislation in the weekly meeting tonight. Student senators will vote on funding allocations to the Sexual Health Awareness Peer Educators and to the Hispanic American Leadership Organization. SGA will also vote on new legislation for Sensible Nutrition and body image Choices, Tau Beta Sigma, Children’s and Adolescent Literature Community and Alternative Spring Break. Two new student senators for the graduate school will also be inducted. Student Senate will be meeting in the Big 12 Room in the K-state Student Union at 7 p.m.



Lisle Alderton | Collegian
LEFT: Austin Davis of the Josh Abbott Band the plays electric banjo on stage in Longhorns Saloon during Wednesday’s sold out show.
ABOVE: Josh Abbott’s acoustic guitar, which he played during Wednesday’s performance is covered with signatures of fellow artists.

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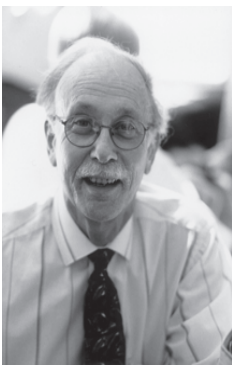
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Rock ‘n’ Roll course offers more than tunes

Darrington Clark
staff writer

Both incoming freshman and returning students often have trouble tracking down classes that truly spark their interests. Major and campus-wide requirements sometimes force students to attend classes that they may not otherwise enjoy. Classes that are fun and meet requirements are less common, but certainly exist. A class about rock and roll music certainly fits the description.

Originally, History of Rock and Roll was only offered to music majors and minors. Now, the course is open and offered to all K-State students. The course is Music 170, and it offers a historical look at the origins of what we now call traditional rock and roll music. Topics covered include a range of artists and music styles from Elvis Presley's fame to music's impact on civil rights. The course includes listening and viewing examples in addition to the customary lecture and visual aids.

"Until the introduction of K-State 8, only music students could take the course," said

Paul Hunt, professor of music and lead adviser for the music department. "For non-music majors, however, it is an excellent class. It's great for students with an affection for rock and roll who want to explore it at the college level."

Those who do take the course are provided with an in depth view of rock and roll's beginnings, taught by a rock and roll lover himself, Steven Maxwell, assistant professor of music. Maxwell says that his course is actually better for non-music students, and those students make up most of his classes.

"This course is ideal for non-music majors," Maxwell said. "I would say that pretty much 99 percent of my class is made up of non-music majors. Everybody wants to know how rock and roll got started."

Much of the allure of the class lies in learning more about how such a mainstream sound in today's culture began, how culture shaped the music, and vice versa. To understand this, quite a bit of backtracking is necessary.

"Professor Maxwell goes back to the turn of the 20th

century," Hunt said, "In order to open his students' eyes and ears to the roots of rock and roll, and to learn about that music genre's predecessors."

History of Rock and Roll is a course of Maxwell's own creation. Classically trained in music, Maxwell strove to design a course that used classical knowledge to discuss a less classical topic.

"We didn't have a class like it here," Maxwell said. "There are music appreciation classes, and those are usually for more classical music students. I received classical education, but I also love rock and roll and I've been to tons of concerts. I just thought a course like this would be popular and fun."

Although some anticipate an easy course, the work is not something to brush off.

"My course is a 100 level class, and I don't treat it as if it were higher," Maxwell said. "But there is an expectation that I hold, and my students know that. If they work hard and study well, they will do well in this course."

Maxwell's course can have, at times, up to a 50-person waiting list. While students

may know of the course, what the class entails may not be common knowledge.

"I learned about the class on my own," said Naomi Cunningham, sophomore in open option. "It wasn't originally recommended to me. I saw about the class from a poster in McCain."

What one can expect from taking the course is a look at the United States through music.

"This is really an American history class," Maxwell said. "We just use music as a resource to guide us through it. It's a more interesting way to learn about the subject. Rock and roll is such an important part of the industry and our culture these days, and it's important to learn that historical background."

Both classical and non-musical students can benefit from taking the course, either for K-State 8 requirements or for the general knowledge of American history.

"My wife is an adviser in open options, and she recommends the course to her students," Hunt said. "I also encourage students to take it."

WEEKLY 10

Tips for positive change in 2012



Kaylea Pallister

A month has passed since New Year's Day and the well-intentioned promises to fulfill New Year's resolutions. If you're like most people these resolutions of self-betterment often fall by the wayside after a couple of weeks, if they even last that long.

It's easy to set lofty goals of self-improvement, but sometimes they're unattainable or unrealistic. Many people want to become healthier, perform better in school, or improve the overall quality of their lives, but it is often intimidating or overwhelming to begin.

Don't give up. Here are 10 quick and easy ways to make positive changes:

1. Everyone gets hungry during a long day of classes, but if you're used to groping around in the bottom of your backpack for quarters to go check out the vending machine, consider packing an apple or banana along with your books in the morning. At just around 100 calories a piece and less than \$2 per pound at the grocery store, these snacks definitely beat what the vending machines offer.
2. If you made a resolution to make the planet a better place, why not try recycling? If you have enough room in a closet or your kitchen for a few extra bags or trash cans, simply divide up your cardboard and paper, aluminum, glass and plastic and head down to the recycling center once every couple of weeks instead of sending it all to the landfill.
3. Have 20 extra minutes to spare? Get outside and go for a walk with your dog or a friend, or find a running buddy and do some laps around the block. Even if you don't have much spare time, running for 10 minutes burns around 100 calories. Campus provides a beautiful setting for a run, and Memorial Stadium offers an older, but definitely functional, rubberized track.
4. Make it a habit to stretch in the morning or before bed. A little limbering up can improve flexibility and loosen up sore muscles. After a long day of sitting in uncomfortable desks, bent over textbooks and computer screens, stretching out your back and shoulders will feel great.
5. The life of a college student is often chaotic, and planning a healthy meal isn't usually at the top of the priority list. If you don't have free time during the week to cook, consider cooking a little extra on the weekend and then freezing or storing the leftovers in single-serve portions. Dishes like chili and soups or pasta work well with this method.
6. Repurpose and reuse. Plastic butter or whipped cream tubs work great for storing odds and ends around a dorm room, apartment or house. Put one in the door of the refrigerator for condiment packets left over from fast-food meals, and others in drawers or cupboards to hold rubber bands, thumbtacks, nails and other household items.
7. Have some clothes hanging in the back of the closet that rarely see the light of day? Round them up and donate to Goodwill or the Salvation Army, or check out second-hand clothing stores that buy gently used clothing.
8. The same goes for books. If you find yourself with stacks of novels and textbooks from previous semesters' classes, don't just bag them up and trash them, wait until there is a campus book drive, or donate or sell them to a library or a second-hand bookstore.
9. Get your life organized. It's hard to make improvements in your life if everything around you is a mess. It's worth the couple of extra dollars to buy a planner, a laundry hamper, or whatever it takes to straighten up your surroundings. Once organized, you will be able to tackle problems with a clear mind.
10. Make an effort to get some sleep. A full night's sleep is often an elusive dream for college students, but getting a solid seven or eight hours of sleep is extremely beneficial for both the mind and body. Try to plan out your time and see if you can't squeeze in an extra hour or two every night.

There are dozens and dozens of easy ways to improve your health, your grades, or any aspect of your life, but one of the best ways to get started is to simply take initiative and stay positive, motivated and proactive.

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Social media, love can be dangerous mixture

Marisa Love
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Throughout history, displays of vulnerability have been perceived as the deepest expression of affection and trust. In an era of online communication, couples dating today face the decision of whether to share one of their most private aspects of life: access to their online accounts.

The question of whether to give a boyfriend or girlfriend access ultimately comes down to the trust in a relationship. Some students believe that asking for a significant other's password, whether for social media, email or a computer, indicates a lack of trust in the relationship. Others view sharing passwords as a sign of trust and an inevitable step in a developing relationship.

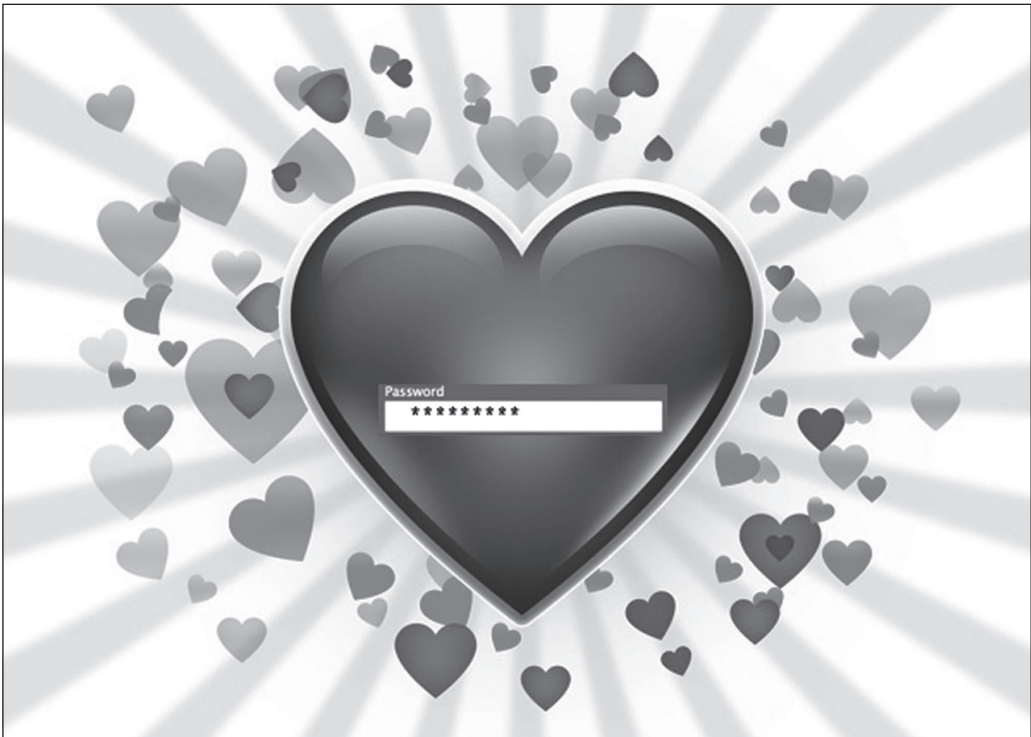
"We have enough trust to give each other our passwords and know that we aren't hiding anything from each other," said Paula Blough, sophomore in agricultural communications. Blough went on to say that she and her boyfriend share passwords to their Facebook accounts, email, cellphones and computers. The couple did not insist on having access to one another's accounts, rather, each password was given over time for the sake of convenience, like reading an email for her boyfriend when he did not have access to a computer.

While openness may seem endearing, sharing passwords is never without risk.

Stephani Brooks, freshman in public health nutrition, believes that the need to share passwords to email and social media accounts indicates a lack of trust and maturity. She shared her passwords with her high school boyfriend, and after the experience she does not plan to repeat the practice in future relationships.

"He would obsess over my Facebook, go on it all the time," Brooks said. "I would be able to tell when he was looking at my chats or my messages because my screen would change."

As a high school student, Devon Cooke, sophomore in business and marketing, had no interest in the growing trend of social media sites. However, after his girlfriend generated a Facebook account for him, they each had the other's passwords and frequently logged onto one another's accounts to make status updates.



"She was kind of the paranoid type. She was like, 'It's all about trust,'" Cooke said.

After Cooke broke up with her, his ex-girlfriend proceeded to log onto his account, make offensive changes to his profile, change his relationship status and upload an unflattering profile picture. Cooke recommends changing your password immediately after you break up if you have shared a password with your significant other.

"Even though it may seem cute and trusting to share passwords, accounts like that are separate for a reason," Cooke said.

A Jan. 17 New York Times article by Matt Richtel cited a 2011 Pew Internet and American Life Project survey that found 30 percent of teenagers have shared online passwords with a friend, girlfriend or boyfriend. According to the survey, girls are twice as likely as guys to give up a password.

Aaron Norton, graduate student in marriage and family therapy, is writing his thesis on how boundaries in social media function within relationships.

"In long term relationships, trust means, 'I have nothing to hide. I'm going to show you that I trust you,'" Norton said.

His research, which focused on couples married for an average of 28 years, has revealed that

in a marriage relationship, the more trust between a couple, the more openness there is regarding online activity.

Norton went on to say that online vulnerability within a dating relationship is different and should be considered carefully as the relationship develops. He plans to research social media's role in dating relationships over the next few years.

"It's not a matter of 'if,' it's a matter of 'when.' It's something couples should think about when they're ready," he said.

Harvard Townsend, chief information security officer, deals with the consequences of students giving out their K-State eID passwords on a daily basis. While most frequently students fall victim to phishing scams in which criminals trick them into giving up passwords, Townsend also handles situations where students willingly gave their passwords to a boyfriend or girlfriend and later regret the decision.

"People are too lax with their information that should be private, which is sad. You wish you could trust people, but experience has shown that you can't," Townsend said. "When you break up with a girlfriend or boyfriend, if you're married and get a divorce, or if you have a fight with an acquaintance, what the other

person might do is unpredictable."

Townsend recalled a student who approached him for help after his ex-girlfriend sabotaged his Facebook account. After the student broke up with his girlfriend, she accessed his account and sent obscene messages to nearly all of his friends. Because of the nature of the messages and complaints from his friends, Facebook shut down his account. He was unable to get into contact with friends to explain the situation and a number of his friendships suffered significant damage.

In another case, Townsend dealt with a student who violated K-State's information technology usage policy by sharing her eID and password with her boyfriend. After her boyfriend accessed child pornography in a K-State computer lab on her account, the digital evidence pointed police back to her. Fortunately, enough evidence was found to convict her boyfriend, but Townsend pointed out that the woman put herself at high risk by sharing her personal information.

"Now that's an extreme case and obviously there are several lessons there," Townsend said. "One is don't share your eID password with anyone and another is be careful who you choose as a boyfriend."

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